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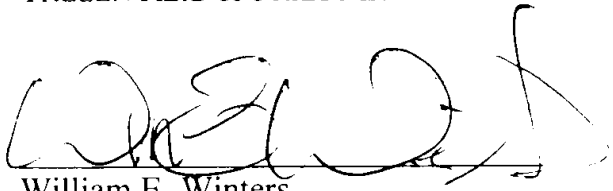
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified
application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 2 on page 8 as follows:

--A method of and an apparatus for determining clock insertion delays for a
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